

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Goudsmit, et al.

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January 31, 2002

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

- 1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months to respond to the Official Action dated July 31, 2001.
- 2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

is filed herewith.

has been filed.

Applicant: 3.

Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Does not claim small entity status.

4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):

Total Months Fee F	For Other Fee for
Requested Than	Small Entity Small Entity
one month	\$110.00 \$55.00
two months	400.00 \$200.00
three months	\$920.00 \$460.00
four months	\$1,440.00 \$720.00
five months	\$1,960.00 \$980.00

Fee Enclosed \$920.00

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\boxtimes	A check in the amount of \$920.000 to cover the fee is enclosed.
	Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
	Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth D. Sibley

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Date of Deposit: January 31, 2002

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